

# District 6 Fact Sheet

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## State Route 168 Contra-Flow Demonstration Exercise

Fresno County  
November 2006

### Project Purpose:

The Contra-Flow Demonstration Exercise on State Route (SR) 168 is a traffic management plan designed for the large-scale emergency evacuation of an area. During an actual emergency, this tactic doubles the number of lanes available on a freeway facility for evacuating traffic out of an impacted area.

### Project Description:

The California Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the California Highway Patrol and Fresno County's Office of Emergency Services, will close the eastbound lanes of State Route 168 from the State Route 180 Junction to Ashlan Avenue in the City of Fresno, in order to initiate a Contra-Flow, or reverse-flow, Traffic Demonstration Exercise.

Data and information gathered from this exercise will be utilized by all of the involved agencies, locally and statewide, to study the resources and processes involved in a high level evacuation operation.

Ashlan Avenue, Shields Avenue and McKinley Avenue on-ramps to eastbound State Route 168 will be closed temporarily. All access to State Route 168 from State Route 180 will be temporarily closed by Caltrans personnel as a result of this exercise. All on-ramps and access to eastbound State Route 168 will resume after the completion of the Contra-Flow Demonstration Exercise.

**Date:** Sunday, November 19, 2006

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Location:** Eastbound SR 168 from SR 180 to E. Ashlan Avenue in Fresno

### Participating Agencies:

Department of Transportation (Caltrans), California Highway Patrol, County of Fresno

Map on Reverse

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# State Route 168 Eastbound

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### Fresno County

